## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

**National Park Service** 

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Notice of Inventory Completion: Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center at Colorado College,

Colorado Springs, CO

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), the Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center at Colorado College has completed an inventory of human remains and associated funerary objects and has determined that there is a cultural affiliation between the human remains and associated funerary objects and Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations in this notice. The human remains and associated funerary objects were removed from Navajo County, AZ.

**DATES:** Repatriation of the human remains and associated funerary objects in this notice may occur on or after [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE **FEDERAL REGISTER**].

ADDRESSES: Michael Christiano, Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center at Colorado College, 30 W Dale Street, Colorado Springs, CO 80903, telephone (719) 477-4311, email mchristiano@ColoradoCollege.edu.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published as part of the National Park Service's administrative responsibilities under NAGPRA. The determinations in this notice are the sole responsibility of the Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center at Colorado College. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations in this notice. Additional information on the determinations in this notice, including the results of consultation, can be found in the inventory or related records held by the Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center at Colorado College.

## Description

Human remains representing, at minimum, two individuals were removed from "Four-Mile" in Navajo County, AZ. On December 17, 2019, cremated remains were found at the Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center during a collections inventory. At the time, the museum could not determine whether the cremated remains were human or faunal. On March 16, 2022, the remains were identified as human cremations of one adult and one juvenile. No known individuals were identified. The two associated funerary objects are one cremation urn and one lot of mixed materials.

## **Cultural affiliation**

The human remains and associated funerary objects in this notice are connected to one or more identifiable earlier groups, tribes, peoples, or cultures. There is a relationship of shared group identity between the identifiable earlier groups, tribes, peoples, or cultures and one or more Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations. The following types of information were used to reasonably trace the relationship: archeological and geographical.

## **Determinations**

Pursuant to NAGPRA and its implementing regulations, and after consultation with the appropriate Indian Tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations, the Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center at Colorado College has determined that:

- The human remains described in this notice represent the physical remains of two individuals of Native American ancestry.
- The two objects described in this notice are reasonably believed to have been placed with or near individual human remains at the time of death or later as part of the death rite or ceremony.
- There is a relationship of shared group identity that can be reasonably traced between the human remains and associated funerary objects described in this notice and the Hopi Tribe of Arizona; Ohkay Owingeh, New Mexico; Pueblo of Acoma, New Mexico; Pueblo of Cochiti, New Mexico; Pueblo of Isleta, New Mexico; Pueblo of Jemez, New Mexico; Pueblo of Laguna, New Mexico; Pueblo of Nambe, New Mexico; Pueblo of Picuris, New Mexico; Pueblo of Pojoaque, New Mexico; Pueblo of San Felipe, New

Mexico; Pueblo of San Ildefonso, New Mexico; Pueblo of Sandia, New Mexico; Pueblo

of Santa Ana, New Mexico; Pueblo of Santa Clara, New Mexico; Pueblo of Taos, New

Mexico; Pueblo of Tesuque, New Mexico; Pueblo of Zia, New Mexico; Santo Domingo

Pueblo; Ysleta del Sur Pueblo; and the Zuni Tribe of the Zuni Reservation, New Mexico.

**Requests for Repatriation** 

Written requests for repatriation of the human remains and associated funerary objects in

this notice must be sent to the Responsible Official identified in ADDRESSES. Requests for

repatriation may be submitted by:

1. Any one or more of the Indian Tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations identified in

this notice.

2. Any lineal descendant, Indian Tribe, or Native Hawaiian organization not identified in

this notice who shows, by a preponderance of the evidence, that the requestor is a lineal

descendant or a culturally affiliated Indian Tribe or Native Hawaiian organization.

Repatriation of the human remains and associated funerary objects in this notice to a

requestor may occur on or after [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION

IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]. If competing requests for repatriation are received, the

Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center at Colorado College must determine the most appropriate

requestor prior to repatriation. Requests for joint repatriation of the human remains and associated

funerary objects are considered a single request and not competing requests. The Colorado

Springs Fine Arts Center at Colorado College is responsible for sending a copy of this notice to

the Indian Tribes identified in this notice.

AUTHORITY: Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, 25 U.S.C. 3003, and

the implementing regulations, 43 CFR § 10.9, § 10.10, and § 10.14.

Dated: February 1, 2023.

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Manager, National NAGPRA Program.

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